

State of New Mexico

Susana Martinez

Governor

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Dr. Alfredo Armendariz Regional Administrator (6-A) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, TX 75202-2733

Dear Dr. Armendariz:

This letter is submitted to fulfill New Mexico's requirements under Section 107 (d)(1) of the Clean Air Act. The Clean Air Act requires all state governors to submit initial designations within one year of the promulgation of a new or revised National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency promulgated in June 2010 a revised NAAQS for sulfur dioxide (SO₂).

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) evaluated 2008 through 2010 ambient monitoring data with respect to the revised SO₂ NAAQS, and finds that all areas of New Mexico, within the jurisdiction of NMED, are in compliance. At this time, I recommend unclassifiable status for the revised SO₂ NAAQS for all areas of New Mexico within the jurisdiction of NMED pending a reclassification to attainment based on the findings of New Mexico's Clean Air Act 110(a)(1) Maintenance Plan for SO₂ sources in the state.

Sincerely,

Susana Martinez

Governor of New Mexico

cc: Mr. Dave Martin, Secretary, New Mexico Environment Department

Mr. Richard Goodyear, Acting Bureau Chief, Air Quality Bureau

Ms. Mary Lou Leonard, Director, Environmental Health Department, City of Albuquerque